

**VOLUNTEER LOUISIANA COMMISSION**  
**PROVISIONAL MINUTES**  
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2014  
11:30 AM – 12:30 PM  
CAPITOL PARK MUSEUM  
660 NORTH FOURTH STREET  
BATON ROUGE, LA 70802

**Commissioners Attending:**

**Voting Members**

Julie Cherry  
David Conner  
Shannon Dietz  
Dr. Jennifer Falls  
Gene Grabbe  
Robert Lancon  
Kathy Lenard  
William Stoudt  
Fabian Tucker

**Ex-officio members**

Vickie Schenk

**Commissioners Absent:**

Karen Moss Barnes  
Monica Bradsher

Sharon Weston Broome

Dr. Leroy Davis

BJ Gallent

Chris Gorman

Jenny Korner

Ann Masden

Mike Manning

Teresa Micheels

Dena Morrison

**Staff Attending:**

Judd Jeansonne

Jawonna Mason

Stephanie Trahan

**Staff Absent:**

Nicholas Auck

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Julie Cherry called the meeting to order and Fabian Tucker called role. Nine members were present and it was noted that no quorum was reached.

**CHAIR'S REPORT:**

The Chair announced that three new Commissioners had been appointed by Gov. Jindal including two who were in attendance, Gene Grabbe from the North Shore and Kathy Leonard from Bastrop. Jenny Korner was reappointed to a second term. The Chair announced that the Commission meeting was being truncated to ensure Commissioners can attend the 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary activities of AmeriCorps. Additionally, it was announced that nine (9) commissioners would be leaving the Commission in 2015. A list of those completing their second term as well as applications for new members were provided as part of the Commissioner's packets.

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

The Chair presented the Treasurer's report on behalf of the Executive Committee. The Chair announced that Planning grants had been awarded to three (3) organizations to develop prospective new applications in the next year's funding. David Conner provided a brief sketch of

the definition of Competitive and Formula funding, as well as purpose of Planning Grants. (Vote for Treasurer's Report approval not called due to lack of quorum.)

### **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Judd Jeansonne gave a report on the AmeriCorps celebration as well as grants that had either closed or were about to close. The Administrative grant has been awarded at the level expected and the Volunteer Generation Fund re-compete application was funded. He also reported on the Volunteer Management System, training that is being offered to AmeriCorps programs, the Volunteer Louisiana website, outreach to organizations and the nonprofit community, staff service projects, the Lt. Governor's Tourism Summit, and the upcoming CNCS Conference.

Judd Jeansonne also initiated introductions for the benefit of new Commissioners. Kathy Leonard presented on her introduction to Volunteer Louisiana through her service with the United Way's Read, Learn, Succeed plan. Gene Grabbe discussed his background working with tax preparation through AARP. Afterward, all Commissioners introduced themselves and the organizations they serve with and their background. Mr. David Conner introduced his guest, Clair Hebert, who is the Cameron Parish Director of Economic Development as well as Director of the Tourism Bureau for Cameron Parish.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

None entered

### **ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business to discuss, Julie Cherry adjourned the meeting.

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